



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **AWANO, Koichi**

Group Art Unit: **3624**

Serial No.: **09/747,020**

Examiner: **Ella COLBERT**

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P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 3284

For: **CARD SETTLEMENT SYSTEM USING A DEBIT CARD**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 23, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **October 6, 2005**, extended from **January 6, 2006** to **February 6, 2006** by a **one (1)** month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: